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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND AGENT FOR DETECTING AND IDENTIFYING AND/OR  
QUANTIFYING AN ENZYMATIC ACTIVITY SUCH AS DEAMINASE ACTIVITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims ~~1-21~~ without prejudice.

Please add new Claims 22-42 as set forth in the attached pages.

REMARKS

Claims 22-42 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, Claims 1-21 are canceled and Claims 22-42 are added. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully solicited.

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